

pattern itself is conventional. It has no conscious model, but is woven by the artistic imagination, as the tufted Persian carpet upon which one flies from Bagdad to Bassorah. The minds of educated persons, poets and painters, should be directed to pretty moths, such as our cloth of gold *Gortynæ*.

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*Stated Meeting, May 18, 1900.*

Vice-President WISTAR in the Chair.

Present, 22 members.

A letter was read from the K. K. Geologische Reichsanstalt of Vienna, announcing the fiftieth anniversary of its founding and inviting this Society to be represented on the date set, June 9, of this year.

A letter was also read from the Royal Saxon Antiquarian Society of Dresden, announcing the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding and inviting this Society to be represented on the date set, September 26 next.

It was ordered that the receipt of these communications be acknowledged by the Secretary with thanks.

The following were elected members of the Society :

Dr. Cyrus Adler, of Washington.

Dr. H. F. Keller, of Philadelphia.

Hon. Edward Patterson, of New York.

Hon. George Gray, of Wilmington.

Wharton Sinkler, M.D., of Philadelphia.

Mr. Sachse presented to the Society a facsimile of the first German newspaper published in North America, printed by Benjamin Franklin in 1732. The thanks of the Society were tendered Mr. Sachse for the gift.